

UTAH OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REMARKS: \* This location was abandoned due to a land title dispute. have file

DATE FILED 10-20-59

LAND: FEE & PATENTED STATE LEASE NO. ML 11328

PUBLIC LEASE NO.

INDIAN

DRILLING APPROVED: 10-22-59

SPUDDED IN:

COMPLETED:

INITIAL PRODUCTION:

GRAVITY A. P. I.

GOR:

PRODUCING ZONES:

TOTAL DEPTH:

WELL ELEVATION: 4445' DF

DATE ABANDONED:

\* Location Abandoned

FIELD OR DISTRICT:

San Juan River Bed 3/86 Jester Smith

COUNTY:

San Juan

WELL NO.

STATE FL 7-2

API 43-037-10677

LOCATION: 660

FT. FROM (S) LINE, 660

FT. FROM (W) LINE, SW 1/4 QUARTER - QUARTER SEC. 2

TWP.	RGE.	SEC.	OPERATOR	TWP.	RGE.	SEC.	OPERATOR
				41 S	24 E	2	JOE LYON, JR.

Scout Report sent out

Noted in the NID File

Location map pinned

Approval or Disapproval Letter

Date Completed, P. & A, or  
operations suspended

Pin changed on location map

Affidavit and Record of A & P

Water Shut-Off Test

Gas-Oil Ratio Test

Well Log Filed

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#### FILE NOTATIONS

Noted in NID File

S R Sheet

Location Map Pinned

Case Indexed

IWR for State or Fee Land

Checked by Chief

Copy NID to Field Office

Approval Letter

Disapproval Letter

#### COMPLETION DATA:

Date Well Completed

OW

GW

WW

PA

Location Inspected

Bond Initiated

State of Fee Land

#### LOGS FILED

Driller's Log

Electric Logs (No. )

E

I

E-I

GR

GR-N

Micro

Lat

Mi-L

Sonic

Others

This location was abandoned due to a land title dispute.

W. Q. VAN COTT (1914-1953)  
GRANT H. BAGLEY  
S. N. CORNWALL  
DENNIS MCCARTHY  
CLIFFORD L. ASHTON  
LEONARD J. LEWIS  
DAVID E. SALISBURY  
DONALD E. SCHWINN  
GRANT MACFARLANE, JR.  
STERLING D. COLTON  
M. SCOTT WOODLAND  
REED A. WATKINS  
MAX B. LEWIS  
OF COUNSEL

LAW OFFICES OF  
VAN COTT, BAGLEY, CORNWALL & MCCARTHY  
SUITE 300  
65 SOUTH MAIN STREET  
SALT LAKE CITY 11, UTAH

BENNETT, HARKNESS & KIRKPATRICK 1874-1890  
BENNETT, MARSHALL & BRADLEY 1890-1896  
BENNETT, HARKNESS, HOWAT,  
SUTHERLAND & VAN COTT 1896-1902  
SUTHERLAND, VAN COTT & ALLISON 1902-1907  
VAN COTT, ALLISON & RITER 1907-1917  
VAN COTT, RITER & FARNSWORTH 1917-1947

October 20, 1959

The State of Utah Oil and Gas  
Conservation Commission  
Newhouse Building  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Gentlemen:

We transmit herewith Notices of Intention to Drill seven oil wells in the McElmo Field, San Juan County, Utah, in Township 41 South, Range 24 East, S.L.M. These well locations are all located on State of Utah Mineral Lease 11328, belonging to Joe Lyon, Jr.

We also transmit a plat showing the well locations in relation to the public survey and producing wells within adjacent areas. A plat based on a field survey will be furnished as soon as the well locations are shot in on the ground.

A drilling bond in the sum of \$5,000.00 is being furnished to the State Land Board of the State of Utah, in accordance with the provisions of the mineral lease.

Yours truly,

VAN COTT, BAGLEY, CORNWALL & MCCARTHY



Donald E. Schwinn

DES:L  
Enclosures

(SUBMIT IN DUPLICATE)

LAND:

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**STATE OF UTAH**  
**OIL & GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

STATE CAPITOL BUILDING  
 SALT LAKE CITY 14, UTAH

Fee and Patented.....☐  
 State .....☒  
 Lease No. NL 11328  
 Public Domain .....☐  
 Lease No. ....  
 Indian .....☐  
 Lease No. ....

## SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS

Notice of Intention to Drill.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Subsequent Report of Water Shut-off.....	
Notice of Intention to Change Plans.....		Subsequent Report of Altering Casing.....	
Notice of Intention to Redrill or Repair.....		Subsequent Report of Redrilling or Repair.....	
Notice of Intention to Pull or Alter Casing.....		Supplementary Well History.....	
Notice of Intention to Abandon Well.....			

(INDICATE ABOVE BY CHECK MARK NATURE OF REPORT, NOTICE, OR OTHER DATA)

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Well No. FL 7-2 is located 660 ft. from SW line and 660 ft. from W line of Sec. 2 S.L.M.  
SWSW of Sec. 2 41 South 24 East S.L.M.  
 (1/4 Sec. and Sec. No.) (Twp.) (Range) (Meridian)  
McElmo Field San Juan County Utah  
 (Field) (County or Subdivision) (State or Territory)

The elevation of the derrick floor above sea level is 4445 feet.A drilling and plugging bond has been filed with Utah State Land Board

### DETAILS OF WORK

(State names of and expected depths to objective sands; show sizes, weights, and lengths of proposed casings; indicate mudding jobs, cementing points, and all other important work, surface formation, and date anticipate spudding-in.)

Objective Sand: Desert Creek at 5200 feet.

8-5/8" Csg. at 1300 ft. Cement w/800 sacks cement.

5-1/2" Csg. at 5500 ft. Cement w/300 sacks cement.

Surface Formation: Aluvium Quaternary.

Anticipated date of spudding in: Jan. 1, 1960.

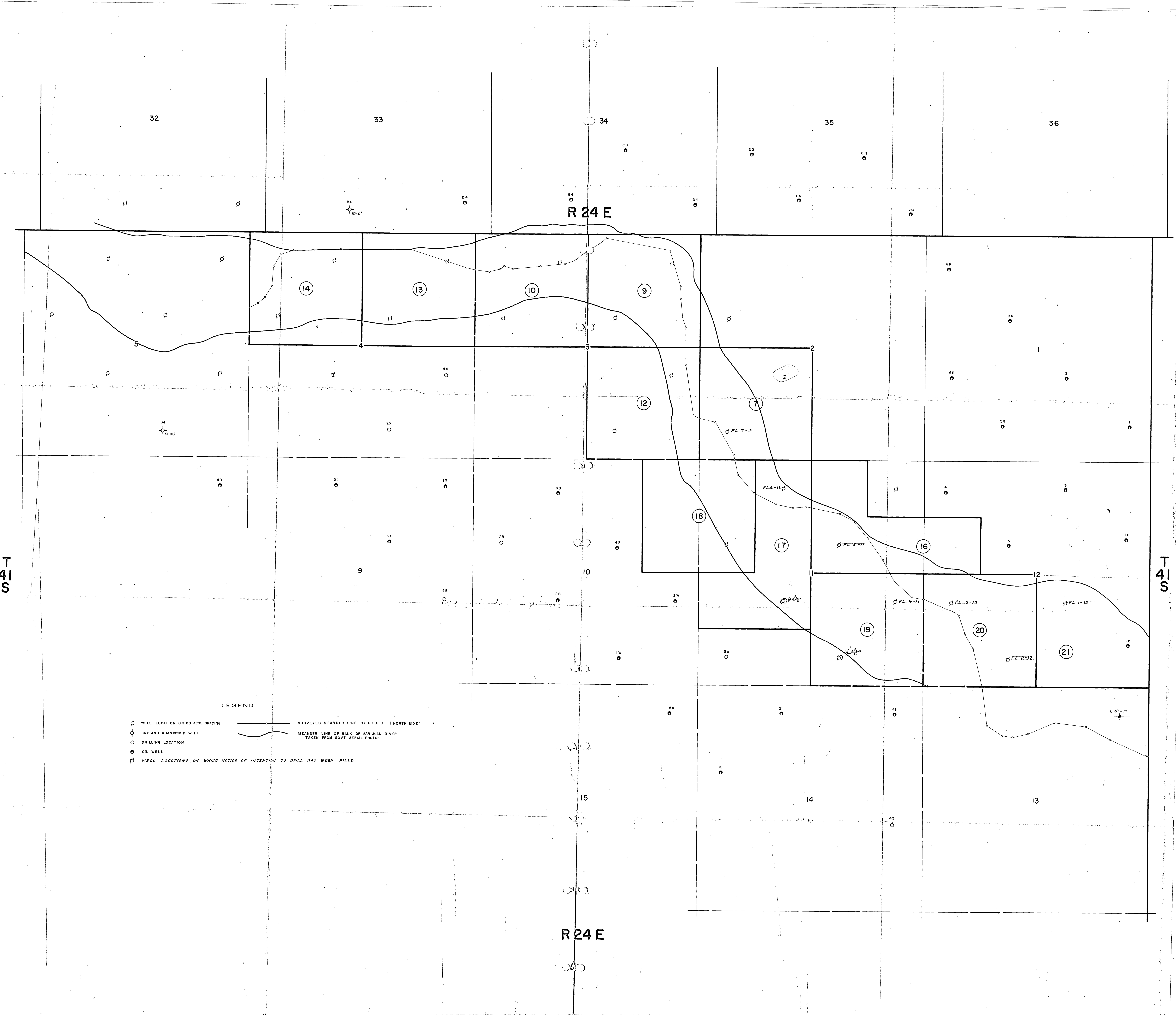
I understand that this plan of work must receive approval in writing by the Commission before operations may be commenced.

Signature Joe Lyon Jr.  
 Address 343 So. State St.,  
Salt Lake City, Utah

By.....

Title.....

INSTRUCTIONS: A plat or map must be attached to this form showing the location of all leases, property lines, drilling and producing wells, within an area of sufficient size so that the Commission may determine whether the location of the well conforms to applicable rules, regulations and orders.



( C O P Y )

October 22, 1959

Mr. Joe Lyon, Jr.  
343 South State Street  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Mr. Lyon:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the notices of intention to drill for the following wells which are to be located in Township 41 South, Range 24 East, SLBM, San Juan County, Utah:

Well No. FL 7-2, to be located 660 feet from the south line  
and 660 feet from the west line of Section 2;

Well No. FL 4-11, to be located 1980 feet from the south line  
and 660 feet from the east line of Section 11;

Well No. FL 5-11, to be located 1980 feet from the north line  
and 1980 feet from the east line of Section 11;

Well No. FL 6-11, to be located 660 feet from the north line  
and 1980 feet from the west line of Section 11;

Well No. FL 1-12, to be located 1980 feet from the south line  
and 1980 feet from the east line of Section 12;

Well No. FL 2-12, to be located 660 feet from the south line  
and 1980 feet from the west line of Section 12;

Well No. FL 3-12, to be located 1980 feet from the south line  
and 660 feet from the west line of Section 12.

Please be advised that approval to drill said wells is hereby granted.

Approval terminates within 90 days if the above mentioned wells are not  
spudded in within said period.

Please take note that should it become necessary to plug and abandon any  
of these wells you are hereby requested to give advance notice of the date  
and time said plugging will take place to one of the following named

Mr. Joe Lyon, Jr.

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individuals, by phone or otherwise, in order that our petroleum engineer may be present to inspect the manner in which the wells are being plugged:

H. G. Henderson, Chief Petroleum Engineer:  
Office Phone: DA 2-4721, Ext. 438 or DA 8-0701  
Home Phone:

C. B. Feight, Executive Secretary:  
Office Phone: DA 2-4721, Ext. 438 or DA 8-0701  
Home Phone: Hu 5-2721.

Address all other communications to the Utah Oil and Gas Conservation Commission at 310 Newhouse Building, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Yours very truly,

OIL & GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

CLEON B. FEIGHT  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

CBF:co

cc: Utah State Land Board  
105 State Capitol Building  
Salt Lake City 14, Utah  
Attn: Frank J. Allen, Director

United States Department of Justice

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

DISTRICT OF UTAH  
SALT LAKE CITY 1, UTAH

CND:lz

November 27, 1959

Utah Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
Boston Building  
Salt Lake City, Utah

ATTENTION: Cleon B. Feight, Secretary

Gentlemen:

We are advised that your office has approved Notices of Intention to Drill oil and gas wells in Sections 2, 11 and 12 of Township 41 South, Range 24 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian in San Juan County, Utah filed with you by Joe Lyon, Jr., represented by the law firm of Van Cott, Bagley, Cornwall and McCarthy, by Donald E. Schwinn, under date of October 22, 1959.

We are further advised that the said Notices of Intention to Drill indicate that the wells are to be drilled in an area included in Utah State Mineral Lease No. 11328. We are advised further that this Utah State Mineral Lease includes what is referred to as the navigable bed of the San Juan River in the township and range immediately above referred to.

Inasmuch as rules of the Utah Oil and Gas Conservation Commission require drilling within the boundaries of a lease to be not less than 500 feet from the perimeter of the leased area, it would appear that your office has made some determination as to the sides or boundaries of the San Juan River bed in the said township and range above referred to. If you have made such determination, will you please advise what your determination has been in this regard and what the basis for such determination was. If you have not made any such determination, will you please advise as to the basis for approving the said Notices of Intention to Drill.

From a casual examination of plats of such township and range, it would appear not only possible but probable that the "San Juan River Bed" occupies only portions of various 80 acre tracts. It would, therefore, appear that under the rules of the Utah Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, there would be some pooling arrangements necessary in order for the



Commission to approve the drilling of such portions. Will you please advise what determination has been made by the Commission as to whether or not the various designated positions referred to in the said Notices of Intention to Drill are wholly within proper 80 acre tracts so as to not involve compulsory pooling; or whether if such designated oil well positions are not entirely within proper 80 acre tracts, compulsory pooling arrangements have been made and, if so, what such arrangements are.

We would appreciate your prompt attention to these requests.

Very truly yours,

A. PRATT KESLER  
United States Attorney

By *C. Nelson Day*  
C. Nelson Day  
Assistant United States Attorney

cc: Frank J. Allen  
Director, Utah State Land Board  
State Capitol Bldg.  
Salt Lake City, Utah

cc: Mr. Walter L. Budge  
Utah Attorney General  
State Capitol Bldg.  
Salt Lake City, Utah

cc: Van Cott, Bagley, Cornwall & McCarthy  
Attorneys at Law  
65 South Main St.  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
(Attention: Donald E. Schwinn)

*Attention: same Bldg. 3rd floor*

November 30, 1959

Mr. A. Pratt Kesler  
United States Attorney  
District of Utah  
Salt Lake City 1, Utah

Attention: Mr. C. Nelson Day  
Assistant United States Attorney

Gentlemen:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 27, 1959. The Commission has made no determination as to the exact boundaries of the San Juan River. It does not interpret the Utah Statutes to grant to the Commission jurisdiction to resolve boundary disputes, although it might be required to examine the question of title in a very general way as an incident to the discharge of its duties. In this case it appears that Joe Lyon, Jr., has a bona fide claim under a lease from the State of Utah to the bed of the San Juan River. In the area involved, the drilling pattern is on 80-acre spacing. In every instance where the Commission has accepted and approved his notice of intention to drill, the well is located at an authorized location in the 80-acre unit, and in every instance Mr. Lyon has a bona fide claim to at least part of the acreage within the unit, including the particular acre on which the proposed well will be located. The Commission, therefore, is of the opinion that it should accept and approve the notices of intention to drill.

You note that it is possible and even probable that part of the land in each 80-acre unit is outside the bed of the San Juan River and therefore would not be owned by the State of Utah nor covered by the lease to Mr. Lyon. From this you then enquire as to whether it was not necessary for the Commission to enter a pooling order before the notices of intention to drill could be approved. We direct your attention to Section 40-6-6 (F) UCA 1953, where the land in an 80-acre drilling unit is separately owned by two or more parties, they may voluntarily pool their interests for the development and operation of the well, or any owner may apply to the Commission for a compulsory pooling order. If such an application is filed, the Commission is required to give notice of said application and to hold a hearing thereon, and is then authorized to enter a compulsory pooling order.

The Commission gave notice to Phillips Petroleum Company that they had received and approved the notices of intention to drill. To this date the Commission has not received an application from anyone for a pooling order. We do not interpret the Statute nor the Commission rules to require that some type of pooling

Mr. A. Pratt Kesler, United States Attorney  
Attention: Mr. C. Nelson Day  
Assistant United States Attorney

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order precede the approval of the notices of intention to drill. If you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, we will be pleased to endeavor to answer them.

Yours very truly,  
OIL & GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

CLEON B. FREIGHT  
Executive Secretary

EWC/clp

**GEORGE D. FEHR**

**343 SOUTH STATE STREET**

**SALT LAKE CITY 11, UTAH**

**PHONE DAVIS 2-3474**

January 19, 1960

Utah Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
310 Newhouse Building  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Re: Drilling Permits

Gentlemen:

On October 20, 1959, seven Notices of Intention to Drill were filed with the Utah Oil and Gas Commission on locations in the San Juan River bed embraced within ML-11328.

Said well locations were named as follows: FL 1-12, FL 2, 12, FL 3-12, FL 4-11, FL 5-11, FL 6-11, and FL 7-2.

This is to advise with regard to these locations that consultations and negotiations have been conducted with a drilling contractor. Surveying in and staking of locations has proceeded, equipment has been moved to the FL 1-12 location and drilling operations on the FL 1-12 location have been commenced and are proceeding. The well was spudded January 18, 1960.

Due to presently rugged weather conditions, having other equipment snow bound in the Dove Creek area of Colorado, and due to other problems, it was impossible to commence operations on more than one well prior to now. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that an extension of time in which to spud the following locations be granted: FL 2-12, FL 3-12, FL 4-11, FL 5-11, FL 6-11, and FL 7-2.

Your favorable consideration of this request will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

*Joe Lyon Jr.*

Joe Lyon, Jr.

JL:fk